

**Haldia Unit of H.F.C**

4446. SHRISATYAGOPAL MISRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) Whether it has been decided to refer the Haldia Unit of Hindustan Fertiliser Corporation to the Bureau of Industrial Finance and Reconstruction; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILISERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) and (b). In terms of Section 15 of the Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985, the Hindustan Fertiliser Corporation (HFC), which is a sick Company has to make a reference to the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction. The Haldia fertiliser complex is a project of HFC.

**Dividend by Super Bazar**

4447. DR. C. SILVERA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Super Bazar Cooperative Store has been paying dividend to its members for some years in the past;

(b) if so, the percentage of dividend declared during each of the last three years;

(c) whether the Government propose to pay higher rate of dividend in view of the increased profit;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Super bazar has declared dividend @ 6% per annum to its share holders from 1983-84 to 1989-90.

(c) to (e). Bye-law 32 (b) (i) of Super Bazar provides that "dividend on shares may be paid not exceeding 6% per annum". At present this dividend is declared on the basis of disposable surplus available with the Store in the respective financial year.

**Clearance of Irrigation Projects**

4448. KUMARI PUSHPA DEVISINGH: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission has evolved certain guidelines for the speedy clearance of irrigation projects;

(b) if so, the details of the guidelines issued by the Planning Commission:

(c) whether the various agencies, State Governments and the Central Ministries have been taken into consideration while finalising those guidelines; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) to (d). The Planning Commission, after taking into account the views of various State Governments and in consultation with the Ministry of Water Resources, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Ministry of Welfare and the Central Water Commission, has issued certain guidelines in February, 1992 for speedy clearance of unapproved major and medium irrigation projects with the current level of expenditure at 30 per cent and more of the project cost and being finance from the State Plans of

various States and UTs. These guidelines are as given below:

1. State Government will constitute a multi-disciplinary body in line with the Constitution of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) of the Ministry of Water Resources. This body will examine all unapproved projects and submit its report on viability of such projects (after taking into account Central Water Commission (CWC) observations that have remained to be complied with) to the CWC for enabling them to take up the matter further with the TAC at the Centre for the clearance of the project.
2. For all ongoing unapproved major and medium irrigation schemes for which certain technical observations (as made by Central Water Commission) are outstanding with the State Government for compliance, the project reports will be processed through the Central Design Organisation (CDO) of the State Government and headed by a Chief Engineer after bringing to the notice of the CDO the outstanding remarks of the CWC. The Central Design Organisation, in turn, will verify the compliance to the observations of the Central Water Commission and appropriately advise CWC in respect of the further processing of the project for clearance or otherwise.
3. In respect of project with inter-state implications the following procedure is to be followed:
  - (a) In case of a project in a river basin, dispute of allocation

of which is under the adjudication of a Tribunal/Court, the clearance will have to await the final award of the Tribunal/Court; and

- (b) In case of a project in a river basin, the water allocation of which has already been decided by a Tribunal/Court or by a inter-State agreement and if in the opinion of Ministry of Water Resources/Central Water Commission, the Water utilisation exceeds the prescribed allocation, the matter will be referred back to the State Government. If the State Government, in spite of the observations of the MOWR/CWC still feels satisfied on water availability for the project to the within the award of the Tribunal or within the inter-State agreement, they must give specific endorsement to this effect to the Ministry of Water Resources who, in turn, would place a confidential report on a case-by-case basis to the Planning Commission for taking up processing of final acceptance letter basing on TAC's recommendations.

#### **Rural Development Projects of Assam**

4449. SHRI UDDHAB BARMAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have recently received any proposal for the Government of Assam for rural development projects in the State;